

BEFORE THE INVESTIGATIVE PANEL OF THE
FLORIDA JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION

INQUIRY CONCERNING A
JUDGE, NO. 00-211,
HOWARD C. BERMAN

**UNOPPOSED MOTION TO CONTINUE HEARING ON FORMAL
CHARGES AND PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Comes now the undersigned Special Counsel to the Judicial Qualifications Commission of the State of Florida and moves to continue the Hearing on Formal Charges scheduled for June 11, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. as well as the Prehearing Conference presently scheduled for May 11, 2001 at 3:30 p.m. and as grounds therefore submits as follows:

1. The Order Scheduling Hearing and Prehearing Conference dated February 21, 2001 was received by the office of the undersigned on February 22, 2001.
2. The undersigned Special Counsel is scheduled to be out of the country on vacation from June 14, 2001 to June 29, 2001.
3. One of the necessary witnesses in this proceeding, JoAnne Kotzen, is scheduled to deliver a baby in early or mid-July. Continuing this hearing one to two months beyond that time would be considerably more convenient for her.
4. The undersigned Special Counsel has conferred with Sydney A. Stubbs, Esquire, counsel for Judge Berman, and he has no objection to the continuance of the Hearing and Prehearing Conference.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, the undersigned Special Counsel respectfully requests a continuance of the Hearing on Formal Charges and the Prehearing Conference.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been delivered by U.S. Mail to: The Honorable James Jorgenson, Chair, Hearing Panel, Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission, Room 102, The Historic Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6000; Thomas C. MacDonald, Jr., Esquire, Cook, Bell & MacDonald Mediation Group, 100 N. Tampa Street, Suite 2100, Tampa, Florida 33602; Brooke Kennerly, Executive Director, Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission, Room 102, The Historic Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-6000; John R. Beraneck, Esquire, Ausley & McMullen, 227 S. Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301; Sydney A. Stubbs, Esquire, Jones, Foster, Johnston & Stubbs, P.A., 505 S. Flagler Drive, Suite 1100, West Palm Beach, FL 33402-3475; Bettye J. King, Esquire, 625 North Flagler Drive, Suite 501, West Palm Beach, Florida 33481; and to Scott N. Richardson, Esquire, Atterbury, Goldberger and Richardson, 250 Australian Avenue South, Suite 1400, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401-5015, this _____ day of February, 2001.

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